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**Amendment**

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In response to the official action mailed July 29, 2003, kindly amend the application as follows:

**In the Claims**

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Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (cancelled)
2. (previously presented) The method of claim 21 including an antioxidant.
3. (original) The method of claim 2 wherein said antioxidant is selected from the group consisting of glutathione, catalase, and mannitol.
4. (cancelled)
5. (previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein said protein is a polyethylene glycol-secretory leucocyte protease inhibitor adduct.
6. (previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein said proteins are crystalline.
7. (previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein said proteins are crosslinked.
8. (previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein said proteins are conjugated.